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## **HERRIN MAN IS SENTENCED FOR HIS INVOLVEMENT IN DRUG CONSPIRACY**

Randy G. Massey, Acting United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, announced the sentencing of a Herrin, IL man for his role in a conspiracy to manufacture and possess with intent to distribute over 500 Grams of methamphetamine. The sentencing took place in United States District Court at Benton, IL on February 9, 2007.

**JASON PRICE**, 23, of Herrin, IL, was sentenced 240 months imprisonment on one count in an indictment which alleged his involvement in a conspiracy to manufacture and possess with intent to distribute over 500 grams of a mixture and substance containing methamphetamine between November 2001 and April of 2004, in Franklin and Williamson counties. He was also sentenced to 188 months imprisonment on a separate count of the indictment which charged him with possession of equipment for purposes of manufacturing methamphetamine. That sentence is to be served concurrently with his 240 month sentence. Additionally, the court imposed a \$500 fine and ordered that his prison sentences were to be followed by ten years of supervised release by the United States Probation Department.

According to the factual basis, the defendant was responsible for manufacturing and selling over seven kilograms of methamphetamine in Williamson and Franklin counties during the conspiracy and using stolen anhydrous which was obtained from numerous co-conspirators for the manufacturing process.

The investigation was conducted by the COMIT Drug Task Force, the Southern Illinois Enforcement Group, the Southern Illinois Drug Task Force, ISP Methamphetamine Response Team, the United States Drug Enforcement Administration and the Sheriff's Department of Franklin County.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Thomas Leggans and Michael C. Carr.